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SUBJECT: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING, NO. 65, 9 FEB 76 (SALT TWO-900)

1. MIRV DEFINITION (ART. II.5) - TWO-HOUR SESSION DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF MIRV DEFINITION, AND COMPARISONS BETWEEN US AND SOVIET PROPOSALS. THE US EXPLAINED THAT SINCE THERE SEEMED TO BE NO REAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE SIDES AS TO THE MEANING OF "MULTIPLE" AND "REENTRY VEHICLES," THE PROBLEM WAS TO DEFINE "INDEPENDENTLY-TARGETABLE." THE US THEN TRIED TO EXPLICITLY POINT UP THE DIFFERENCE OF APPROACH BETWEEN THE SIDES. SOVIETS STATED THAT THEY WERE OF THE OPINION THAT INDEPENDENT TARGETING IS CHARACTERIZED BY INDEPENDENT TRAJECTORIES, NOT BY THE CHARACTER (LOCATIONS AND RELATIONSHIP) OF THE TARGETS. IN EXPLAINING THIS, THEY SAID THAT TARGETING OF RVS IS DONE OR CAN BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN INDEPENDENT PROGRAM SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR EACH RV; THE PROGRAM IS NOT DEPENDENT ON THE TRAJECTORY OF THE RVS; THE PROGRAM FOR ONE RV DOES NOT DEPEND ON THE PROGRAM OF ANOTHER.

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SOVIETS ALSO DESCRIBED THEIR PROPOSED AGREED STATEMENT

AS DEFINING HOW INDEPENDENT TARGETING CAN BE DONE, AND MAINTAINED THAT IT LISTED THOSE CHARACTERISTICS OF MIRVS, VERIFIABLE BY NTM, WHICH WOULD PERMIT DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN MRVS AND MIRVS. US IN TURN EXPLAINED THAT THE GENERAL US APPROACH TO INDEPENDENT TARGETING IS TO DEFINE WHAT HAPPENS IN CONTRADISTINCTION TO SOVIET APPROACH DESCRIBING EQUIPMENT WHOSE PRESENCE ON A MISSILE MAKES AN RV INDEPENDENTLY-TARGETABLE. THE SOVIETS STATED THAT TARGETS AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP ARE AN INSUFFICIENTLY EXPLICIT CRITERIA FOR DEFINING MIRVS.

2. HEAVY BOMBER DEFINITION (ART. II.3) - SOVIETS TABLED A SLIGHTLY REVISED PROPOSAL USING "BOMB OR AIR-TO-SURFACE MISSILE DELIVERY AIRCRAFT" IN LIEU OF "NUCLEAR DELIVERY AIRCRAFT." JOHNSON

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